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SAN DIEGO PUBLIC LIBRARY SCREENS PEACE UNVEILED

Three Brave Female Afghani Activists Challenge the Taliban with the Help of the USA

SAN DIEGO – The San Diego Public Library will host a Community Cinema preview screening of *Peace Unveiled*, directed by filmmaker Neil Diamond. The film will screen on Monday, September 19, 2011, at 6:30 p.m. in the 3rd floor auditorium of the Central Library, located at 820 E Street in downtown San Diego. This event is free and open to the public.

When the U.S. troop surge was announced in late 2009, women in Afghanistan knew that the ground was being laid for peace talks with the Taliban. *Peace Unveiled* follows three women who organized to make sure that women's rights didn't get traded away in the deal. Convinced that the Taliban would make demands that jeopardized women's hard-earned gains, they maneuvered against formidable odds to have their voices heard in a peace jirga and high peace council. The film goes behind Kabul's closed doors as the women's case was made to U.S. diplomats, including Secretary of State Hillary Clinton, who promised the women that "peace and justice couldn't come at the cost of women and women's lives." But was this promise kept?

Community Cinema is affiliated with the ITVS media organization (Independent Television Service). ITVS Community Cinema is a monthly screening series that pairs independently produced documentary films with leading organizations working to resolve related social issues in communities across the country. All films featured will broadcast nationally on the Emmy Award-winning PBS series Independent Lens.

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